

OUTREACH NOTICE

Rangeland Management Specialist, GS 454-11



The Lost River Ranger District is seeking candidates for a Rangeland Management Specialist position. This 800,000+ acre Ranger District has an extensive range program with all the excitement, challenges and gratification that goes along with managing grazing (both cattle and sheep) in some incredible country in south central Idaho. The duty station is **Mackay, Idaho**; a small town in the gorgeous Lost River Valley, settled between the Lost River and Pioneer Mountain ranges.

Interested candidates should contact Diane Weaver, District Ranger, Lost River Ranger District for more information. If you wish to be considered for this opportunity please complete the attached outreach form and send it to Diane Weaver at dlweaver@fs.fed.us by January 13, 2015.

Major Duties: The person selected will serve as the District range and weed program leader, supervising one GS 9 rangeland management specialist, one range technician and a varying seasonal workforce. They will have responsibility for overall management of 35 allotments, including permit administration and long-term monitoring; overseeing completion of environmental analysis; implementing decisions regarding grazing authorizations; and coordinating with two counties and Cooperative Weed Management Areas. This position works closely with the fisheries and wildlife biologists, as well as other personnel on the District and across the Forest. This position will oversee an extensive monitoring program associated with grazing and ecosystem management. Excellent technical, oral and written communications skills are critical in accomplishing these duties.



Salmon-Challis National Forest

The Salmon-Challis National Forest covers over 4.3 million acres in east-central Idaho. The Forest is bordered by the Bitterroot Range on the border with Montana on the east, and to the west includes over 1.3 million acres of the Frank Church--River of No Return Wilderness. There are currently six administrative units on the Forest: Salmon-Cobalt, Challis/Yankee Fork, Lost River, Middle Fork, North Fork and Leadore Ranger Districts.

Rugged and remote, this country offers adventure, solitude and breathtaking scenery. The Forest also contains Mt. Borah, Idaho's tallest peak, the Wild & Scenic Salmon River and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River. The area is a highly desired destination for hunting, fishing, white-water rafting and the many other popular recreational pursuits. The Forest features diverse, rough topography, geologic conditions, and miles of streams with anadromous fish spawning habitat creating a highly complex land management situation. The Forest Office is located in Salmon, Idaho. <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc>.

Lost River Ranger District

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/lostriver/index.shtml>



The District encompasses 817,000 acres which includes four mountain ranges, seven of the nine highest mountain peaks in Idaho, three rivers, and over 100 high mountain lakes. Elevation ranges from 5,550 to 12,662 feet with all the diverse ecosystems that occur within that range.



Recreation is an important component of public uses on the District, including hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, horseback riding, ATV and motorcycle trail riding. A large variety of **wildlife and fish** occur on the District - mule deer, elk, moose, wolves, big horn sheep, mountain goats, bull trout, whitefish, rainbow and brook trout.



Permitted uses include **outfitters and guides, grazing, communication sites, education organizations, and fire wood and timber products**. The District also has an active **fuels** program and the Forest is one of the highest in number and size of **wildland fires**.

Participation in the community is important whether it be parades, town clean-up, or hiring local kids for summer. This leads to good relationships and partnerships creating a great work and living environment.

Mackay

<http://mackayidaho.com/>

Mackay sits at an elevation of 5,891 feet and at the last census reported a population of 680. The climate of Mackay ranges from lows of -20°F to highs of +30°F in the winter and from lows of 30°F to highs of 100°F in some areas in the summer. Mackay has a fairly dry climate, typical of high desert bordering alpine areas. The average annual total precipitation is 9.8 inches and average annual snowfall is 33.5 inches.

There is a high school, elementary school, several churches, library, medical clinic, grocery store, lumber store, general store, plus several restaurants, bars and motels. Mackay has a 9-hole golf course, RV park, and campgrounds. Housing is inexpensive and available compared to many communities. It hosts events such as the Mackay rodeo, the A.B.A.T.E. motorcycle rodeo, several golf tournaments, Custer County Fair, Free Mackay Barbeque, RMEF banquet, and the Annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering.



If you are interested in this position or have any questions, please complete the attached “Outreach Form” and submit to:

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208-588-3402

Reply Due: January 13, 2015

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Lost River Ranger District
District Rangeland Management Specialist
GS-445-11

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:	PERMANENT VRA	TEMPORARY PWD	TERM OTHER
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CURRENT POSITION TITLE:

☐ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
☐ VETERANS Recruitment Act (VRA)
☐ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
☐ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
☐ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
☐ Pathways
☐ OTHER

Thank you for your interest in our Outreach!